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### (54) Coated SiO<sub>2</sub> particles

(57) Spherical SiO<sub>2</sub> particles with a size of from 5 to 500 nm coated at individual points with TiO<sub>2</sub>, Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> or ZrO<sub>2</sub> particles with a size of less than 60 nm. The coated SiO<sub>2</sub> particles can be aftercoated with silanes or further metal oxides. The products obtained are used for pigmenting paints, printing inks, plastics and coatings or as sunscreen agents.

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